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Diplomas, Awards, Certificates
Moving On and Growing Up

ELEMENTARY NEWS

SHS and The Study Embark on a "Novel" Experience

By Gayle Jewer and Laurie McMurdo

In September, both Grade 5 English classes began exchanging friendly letters with Grade 5 girls from The Study School. The students were writing in character about books they enjoyed reading. This activity served as an ice-breaker because the children did not know their pen pals by name, and the correspondence continued until March.

Teachers, Gayle Jewer and Laurie McMurdo, planned the calendar of events with Barbara Phillips, from The Study, so that the reading of a class novel, *Bridge to Terabithia*, and the coordinating activities would coincide. The boys and girls were trained in the use of Literature Circle Roles as a method of novel study, and, just after March Break, the cooperating activities began.

photo by: Maria Tratt

Edward Cho, 5B, and Nicholas Niro, 5B, with girls from The Study.

On April 24, the boys from Selwyn House visited The Study to have a Literature Circle meeting and discuss the novel with the girls. They also planned a culminating activity to be hosted by SHS on May 8. This day was very productive and exciting. Maps were drawn, dramatic presentations were made, and creativity abounded! The boys and girls were enthusiastic about the event, and everyone benefitted from each other's experience.

Elementary School Certificates - March '96 Recipients

Positive Attitude and Commitment Toward Learning
Josh Rosenstein (3A), Pierre-Alexandre Taylor-Deschamps (3A), Jeremy Elkin (3A), David Harris (3A), David Smucker (3B), Jeff Usher-Jones (3B), Jamie Rudolph-Zbarsky (4A), Martin Brûlé-Brosseau (4B), Louis-Philippe Saleh (4B)

Responsible Attitude Towards Himself and Others
Charles Ayas (3A), Chris Ciocca (3A), Paul Tsoukas (3A), Charles Paiement (3B), Jon Lutter-Hoppenheim (3B), Pierre Mansour-Geoffrion (4A), Patrick Johnson (4B), Maurice Knecht (4B)

Progrès remarquables en français
Mark Mettler-Warner, Maternelle

Influence positive sur la classe
Fraser Usher-Jones, Maternelle

Curiosité intellectuelle
Frédéric-André Vennat, Maternelle

Positive Influence in the Classroom
Jonas Briedis (1A), Daniel Blanshay (1B), Michael Sutton (2A), Sammy Hammouda (2A), Christopher Wong (2B)

Intellectual Curiosity
Mark Sadaka (1A), Nicholas Cabana (1B), Charles-Alexandre Vennat (2B)

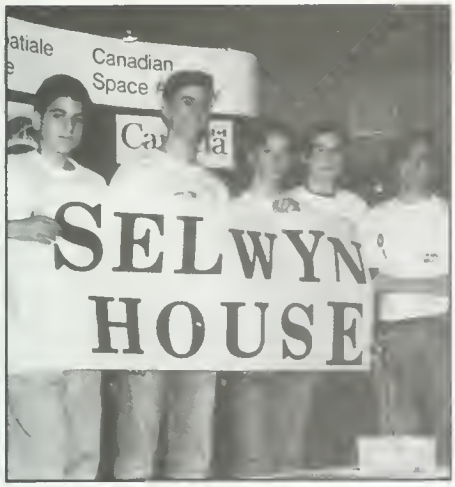
Progrès remarquables en français
Eitaro Suzuki (5A), Rocco Pagliarulo (5A), Robby Chasin (5B), Nathan Vexler (5B), Carlo Bellini (6A), Brian Walker (6A), Stephane Levy (6B), Chris Churchill-Smith (6B), Alan Murgita (6B)

Attitude positive face à l'apprentissage
Harry Marshall (5A), Gerry Hionis (5A), Garrison Mason (5B), Nino Zammit (5B), Robert Kwee (6A), Marc St-Germain (6A), Sam Grover (6B), Hatim Zu'bi (6B), Mitchell Sweibel (6B)

Esprit de coopération
Abdullah Al-Ghamdi (5A), Adam Samuelson (5A), Jamie Barnoff (5B), Stephane Côté (5B), Matthew Schulz (5B), Tom Constantinescu (6A), Rayan Kaedbey (6A), Adam Rozencwajg (6A), Adrian Gaty (6B), Ilia Auerbach-Ziogas (6B)

Middle School Visits Mars

By Mike Downey



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Michael Anastasio, 8B, Eitan Yane, 8A, Michael Sanford, 8B, Ned Maloney, 8A, and Seth Ross, 8B.

On Saturday, April 27, 35 students from Grades 6, 7, and 8 set out for Mars. This large team was divided into six small habitat crews. Each habitat crew was grouped with two other habitat crews from two other schools. These 240 students from across Montreal set up a village consisting of 11 habitats. The students had to spend the day in their habitat, as well as explain to eager visitors the system that they had been working on for the last eight weeks. Each small team was responsible for one of the nine systems that they would need to survive on this hostile planet.

The Macaulay gym was linked through a large audio-visual screen with seven other sites across Canada and our sister site in Upper St. Clair, Pennsylvania. This science and technology investigative project was sponsored by the Canadian Space Agency. The boys had the opportunity to work directly through the e-mail system with an engineer working at the agency. They had to plan all aspects of the trip, including their lunch. Their lunch had to meet a specific weight both before and after they ate it as efficiency and waste were two main themes of the project. It proved to be an exciting and rewarding experience for everyone involved.

Click Your Heels 3 Times...

By Matthew Busbridge 8A

Once again, the Selwyn Middle School Players were well deserving of the audience's applause. On May 10, students from Selwyn and Trafalgar schools delivered two performances of *The Wiz*, a funky adaptation of *The Wizard of Oz*, for which they had worked diligently for several weeks. Complete with the same lovable characters as in the original play, a live band and singing, both performances went off without a hitch.

This year, instead of charging admission, we asked for donations for a charity organization. It seemed appropriate that our recipient be connected to the play in some way. Because Dorothy is trying to get home, we chose the locally-based "Dans la Rue." This charity assists run-away and homeless teenagers living on the streets of Montreal by supplying them with food, blankets, and other resources including an attentive ear to listen to their stories. We are very pleased to announce that $260.00 was raised by the end of the evening.

Many thanks to the cast and crew, the parents who gave their time, and to Marc Krushelnyski, Jim Cousins, and Simplicio Urgel for the set construction .

Special recognition goes out to Jeremy Baskin, Music Director, Bernard Pollack, Choreographer, and Sean Salusbury, Stage Manager. Last, but not least, an extra warm thank you to Virginia Ferguson for her make-up and moral support and to our ever enthusiastic director, Mary-Ellen Viau.

photo by: Maria Tratt

The Wiz (Matthew Busbridge, 8A), Dorothy (Alexandra Rodenchuk), the Lion (Adam Azimov, 8B), the Scarecrow (Vidal Sadaka, 7C), and the Tinman (Jonathan Verrall, 7A).

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SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

New Theory Applied at SHS

By Joe Flanders, 11C

On Tuesday, April 23, the Peer Education Programme was inaugurated at Selwyn House. About twenty SHS boys from Grades 10 and 11 participated in this new programme which originated from research which suggests that students often learn more from fellow students than from teachers. An afternoon was planned at Selwyn based on this theory.

One week prior to the event, the coordinators of the programme assembled twenty-eight future educators from Selwyn, ECS, and The Study. In a day and a half, these students were trained and ready to conduct a session of their own. Male and female students were teamed up and last minute preparations were made over the phone and during the weekend.

When the day arrived, Grade 8 students from all three schools assembled in the Lucas gym for Human Bingo: an interactive ice-breaker lead by the Peer counsellors. Next, students were divided into small groups and the Peer Education process began. The senior students discussed such significant topics as assertiveness and effective communication. The afternoon came to a close with a session of role playing in which the Grade 8 students participated.

Richard Martz, 10C, Robert Vroom, 10C, Michael Durcak, 10B, and girls from The Study in their library.

The feed-back from both junior and senior students was, on the whole, positive. This afternoon will become the root of a Peer Education Programme which will evolve into an annual tradition.

photo by: Maria Tratt

Ferdinand (Joseph Ayas,11C)

The Tempest Blows Through Selwyn

By Byron Harker

The Senior Players' performances of *The Tempest* on April 11, 12, and 13 were magical both literally and metaphorically. In the opening scene Prospero (Chris Aranda, '96) conjured up a tempest. Thereafter, with the help of the spirit Ariel, (Gandhar Chakravarty, '96), he used magic to effect a marriage between his daughter Miranda (Annemarie Rued, Trafalgar '96) and Ferdinand (Joseph Ayas, '96) and to punish his enemies. At interludes, a drunken butler, Stephano (Eric Pedicelli, '96), a jester, Trinculo (Tom Watt, '96), and a sub-human monster, Caliban (Ian Ratzer, '98) also produced enchanted comedy. A triumph in every way!

SHS Students Excel in Cross-Canada Math Competition

By Maria Tratt

Selwyn House School did extremely well this past February when the Senior School participated in the Canadian Math Competition at the University of Waterloo.

On May 8, awards were issued to all boys whose scores ranked them in the top 25 per cent of all Canadian contestants. Continuing the SHS tradition for excellent testing results on both local and national levels, close to half of the students who entered (141) received these certificates of distinction.

Special recognition goes to Jonathan How, 9A, who placed 1st in Quebec, out-scoring 2,820 other students, and tied for 6th in Canada.

Others who made the Canadian honour role include: Jeremy Baskin, 9A, Eric Blake, 9A, Ian Ratzer, 9A, and Colin No, 10A.

ARTS

Spring Book Fair

By Virginia Ferguson

Thank you all, Selwyn House family and friends, for your participation and generous donations to our 15th Annual Book Fair. The Book Fair, held in conjunction with SHS's Spring Open House, took place May 2 and 3 in the Lucas gym, featuring Babar Books from Point Claire, Paragraphe Books, and Librairie Monet. All three book dealers were pleased with the almost $9,000.00 worth of books that were sold. The Library received many lovely donated books, and the Books for Belize project received a healthy cash contribution. We hope to continue to hold the Book Fair, but we are looking for more volunteers to monitor the sale tables. Also needed are people to staff the donation suggestion tables, answer questions and fill out gift receipt forms. If you would like to be included as a Book Fair volunteer, call Mrs. Ferguson for further details.

As you make up your summer reading lists, Mrs. Ferguson suggests a few interesting titles that came in with the book fair books. *Takedown* by Tsutomu Shimomura, is the story of the pursuit and capture of hacker and computer criminal, Kevin Mitnick – as exciting as a best selling thriller. You will be enthralled as the most-wanted cyberthief is caught in his own web (so to speak). Mr. Fred Moody, a writer for the Seattle Weekly and the Utne Reader, takes you into a year in the life of Microsoft in his book *I Sing the Body Electronic*. As he follows the developing team for a children's CD called the *Explorapedia,* he describes a mixture of emotion, intellect, pride and greed and tries to solve the riddle of why Microsoft has been so admired and yet so feared. *When I was your Age*, original stories about growing up by very respected young adult authors such as Katherine Paterson, Laurence Yep and Susan Cooper, is on Ms. Carol Manning's summer reading list and, judging from the reactions of Grades 7 and 8 in Mrs. Ferguson's story hours this week, it is a winner.

Mrs. Ferguson is off again to be a volunteer in Yosemite National Park for the summer and hopes to find more interesting books to read and also to donate. Her motto is "read it and donate it." A popular title last summer was *Cougar* as sightings of the great mountain lions have increased dramatically in the park. *Cougar* is now in the SHS library. We hope that as you travel this summer you too will keep in mind how much SHS's library appreciates your donations and gifts.

May your summer holidays be filled with sunshine and laughter. Take care. See you all in the fall.

photo by: Maria Tratt

Mrs. Ferguson, Rayan Kaedbey, 6A, and Patrick Chuang, 6A.

Unique Reflections in The Artists' Corner

By Ellen Pinchuck

Weeks after the Open House of May 2, when everyone is busy with end of school activities and exams, I look back on that day to reflect on the significance and purpose of a student art exhibit such as this.

The art exhibit in the Macaulay gym was a representation of the work of approximately three hundred and twenty-five students from Kindergarten through Grade 11. Every student who is part of the art program had two works in the show, one two-dimensional, and one three-dimensional.

Before the Open House, boys were in the art room practically every recess and lunch period, working feverishly to finish their projects. It was extremely important to all concerned to have work completed and included in the show.

From the plasticene fish of the Kindergarten to the Grade 11 soapstone sculptures , every item in the art show was a personal expression of the student. Technical processes and basic parameters are all that can be taught. What the students bring to each assignment is their own individuality, outlook, and imagination. The art show is essentially a showcase not just of the students' work, but of their uniqueness.

Faculty vs Students in SHS' Annual Ball Hockey Game The score?

18-16 for the students. Not too big a gap considering the staff had only one relief player!

photo by: Maria Tratt

April's Fools

The Grade 11 students surprised faculty on April 1 when, fresh from Spring Break, they sauntered into classes sporting the very latest in ECS uniform chic. Unbeknownst to anyone, they had a clandestine exchange with their comrades at the girls' school over the weekend.

Seen here in the rink outside the Lucas building, the students were fortunate as the weather warmed to their little ruse, although some of the boys had the forethought to wear tights.

photo by: Maria Tratt

Earth Day Accents Importance of Belize Project

By Marg Lynn

Earth Day, April 22, found wide-eyed pupils from Kindergarten to Grade 4 learning fascinating facts about underwater treasures from Diane Brown, a local marine biologist. Awed sounds emanated from the audience as we viewed a video of the stunning Caribbean coral reefs teaming with rainbow-hued fish and exquisite coral formations. We were even able to examine many varieties of coral, and see models of life-like stuffed whales.

These examples of the sea's treasures illustrated perfectly the importance of caring for all of nature's extraordinary aspects. With the world's second largest coral reef situated just off Belize, it brought to mind one of Selwyn's latest projects. During this last term, Grades 3 and 4, with much assistance from many friends, are helping the children of Belize by collecting books, markers, and other school supplies, as well as through fundraising events like April's bake sale and May's car wash. This process is also beneficial for our children, as it is teaching them to appreciate their good fortune.

photo by: Maria Tratt

Mr. Harry Bloomfield, '59, honorary Consul General of Belize and sons Andrew, 2B, and Jonathan, 4B.

photo by: Maria Tratt

Scrambled Eggs

Brad Moffat's annual "egg-drop" contest got underway Thursday, May 16, with a cloudless sky overhead and blustering winds. Alexei Anikine, 10B, won the senior division, his egg and shatter-proof container weighing-in at 41.3 grams. Matthew Gore, 7B, was the Middle School's best at 32 grams, and Mr. Moffat emerged as the staff champion. Congratulations!

photo by: Maria Tratt

Grad!

Graduation for the Class of '96 was a huge success. Many special thanks to all the families who graciously welcomed the students, their dates, and faculty into their homes before and after the main festivities held this year at The Faculty Club.

The food was great, the "roasts" were witty and the soon-to-be-alumni were well rewarded with exceptionally beautiful weather.

photo by: Maria Tratt

photo by: Constantine Vassilion, 11A

Play it Again

Music Night, Wednesday, May 8, was a trumpeting success. Three jazz bands, two concert bands, and a jazz quartet played to a packed house.

Left: Jamie Seguin, 11A, blows his proverbial horn, helping to make the senior band shine.

Open House

Left: Daniel Wilner, 6B, was one member of a small travelling drama troupe who entertained faculty, students, and parents alike at the SHS Open House, held on Thursday, May 2.

Daniel, as Marc Antony in *Julius Caesar*, gave a moving performance of the funeral speech. Friends, Romans, and countrymen were all awed by Daniel's powerful voice which could be heard through the school's halls.

Other presentations included art and science exhibits, classroom displays, and the Book Fair.

FRANÇAIS

Notre voyage à Québec

PAR ALEX BUSSANDRI, 5B, ET BOBBY CHON, 5B

photo par: France Gauthier

Une vraie carte postale: les étudiants à la basse-ville avec le Château Frontenac en arrière-plan.

Nous avons trouvé le voyage à Québec très amusant! Nous avons visité différents musées. Le logement était simple mais beau. On a vu beaucoup de places historiques comme la Place Royale, le Château Frontenac et la Batterie Royale. Nous pensons que notre voyage à Québec était très bien organisé et que les professeurs ont fait un grand effort pour nous!

photo par: France Gauthier

La cinquième au soleil.

Catastrophe au McDonald de Québec!

PAR NATHAN VEXLER, 5B

Au dîner du seize mai 1996, le dernier jour du voyage à Québec et juste avant de prendre le train pour revenir à Montréal, une catastrophe est arrivée au restaurant McDonald à Québec!

Jeffrey, Philippe, Bobby et moi étions assis à une table avec nos "Big Mac" et nos "Coca-Cola". Nous étions en train de jouer au jeu du téléphone brisé quand Jeffrey, qui était assis à côté de moi, s'est levé pour aller aux toilettes. Mais, par malheur, il a renversé son énorme verre de Coca-Cola! Tout le liquide qui était dans le verre s'est renversé sur Bobby et moi. J'ai été plus chanceux que Bobby car j'ai juste mouillé mon pantalon, mais Bobby a entièrement mouillé sa chemise et son pantalon!

Le problème avec les boissons gazeuses, c'est que ça colle sur tes vêtements et sur ton corps. C'est un problème qui est difficile à éliminer surtout quand tu dois prendre le train pendant 3 heures!

Pendant le voyage du retour, j'ai vraiment appris une leçon très importante de la vie. Ne plus jamais boire de Coca-Cola au McDonald!

Mon maillot de bain!

PAR AARON MOSHER-KUCKZER, 5A

Mon histoire a commencé quand nous étions à la piscine du CEGEP de Ste-Foy, à Québec, pour la baignade du mardi soir.

J'ai plongé dans l'eau et je m'amusais beaucoup, alors je suis sorti et j'ai replongé. Tout à coup, après le plongeon, je me suis rendu compte que mon maillot de bain était tombé! J'ai tout de suite pris mon maillot et je l'ai remonté. J'étais tellement gêné! Je suis sorti de l'eau et j'ai décidé de ne plus jamais retourner dans cette piscine!

La morale de cette histoire est de toujours bien attacher son maillot de bain avant de sauter dans une piscine!

FRANÇAIS

La capitale nationale, rendez-vous de La sixième

PAR JEAN PRUNEAU

Le mardi matin suivant la longue fin de semaine de la fête de la Reine, c'était le grand rassemblement à la Gare centrale. Destination Ottawa. Après un court arrêt aux résidences de l'Université d'Ottawa, la première visite fut celle du Musée de la nature. Minéraux, Baie de Fundy, mine d'or de l'Abitibi nous firent découvrir la diversité du sous-sol. Par la suite, les élèves ont eu a observer différents oiseaux provenant des divers écosystèmes canadiens. Le tout s'est terminé par des rencontres surprenantes avec ces insectes mal-aimés que sont les blattes, les rats, les sangsues et les coquerelles, pour ne nommer que ceux-là. La marche de retour aux résidences nous a permis de découvrir le canal Rideau et les magnifiques tulipes qui colorent la ville à cette période de l'année. En soirée, la piscine a été la scène de plongeurs acrobatiques et courageux qui se sont exécutés du haut des différentes tours, y compris celle de 10 mètres. Quelques garçons ont terminé leurs sauts avec certaines rougeurs sur le corps, tandis que d'autres s'amusaient à défier leurs professeurs dans une joute de "Keep Away" à l'autre extrémité de la piscine. Le lendemain, visite du parlement et du bureau du Premier Ministre, dîner à sa résidence du 24 Sussex Drive, et rencontre avec la femme de notre Gouverneur général, la très honorable Madame Diana Fowler LeBlanc, à sa résidence. Fait intéressant, les frères de Madame Fowler LeBlanc sont des anciens étudiants de Selwyn House. Par la suite, le Musée des civilisations à Hull nous permettait de faire un voyage dans le temps. De retour à Ottawa, nous allâmes au Musée des beaux-arts. Les guides ont su intéresser les garçons et se sont aperçus qu'ils avaient de bonnes connaissances artistiques. Un buffet italien dans un restaurant du centre-ville vint terminer cette longue et intéressante journée. Un dernier saut à la piscine nous prépara bien pour le coucher. Le jeudi matin fut réservé au Musée des sciences et technologies où les garçons s'en donnèrent à coeur joie dans les différents centres d'activités interactives. Une foule de parents souriants attendait à la Gare centrale en fin d'après-midi, le retour de leur garçon épuisé par un voyage bien rempli.

photo par: Jean Pruneau

Des élèves de la sixième devant Rideau Hall, la résidence du Gouverneur général.

Des nouvelles de l'Expo-Sciences du primaire

PAR LUCIE ANDREOLI

photo par: Lucie Andreoli

Anshuman Saksena expliquant son projet sur le magnétisme.

Les 2, 3 et 4 mai derniers se tenait l'Expo-Sciences Bell, finale régionale du primaire de Montréal. Cent deux projets provenant de quelque quarante écoles ont été présentés au public. L'école Selwyn House, qui était représentée par Philippe Lebel (5A) et Anshuman Saksena (3A) a fait bonne figure. Anshuman a remporté le premier prix de la catégorie Premier cycle du primaire. Quant à Philippe, sans se classer dans sa catégorie, il a reçu d'excellents commentaires des juges. Bravo à ces deux super scientifiques!

S P O R T S

Baseball – Summer's Sport. An SHS Season Update

By Steve Mitchell, Athletic Director

The Gryphon baseball season kicked off with a double header on Saturday, May 4, at Plattsburg High School field.

The day featured two games against a very talented Plattsburg team. Selwyn House's starting pitcher Richie Vincent went the distance only to give up two runs in the sixth en route to a 6-3 loss in game 1. In game 2, starting pitcher Matthew Singerman pitched masterfully, and catcher Vinay Mandy added two RBI's, but again, two late game runs permitted Plattsburg to squeeze out a 5-3 victory.

On Monday, May 6, Selwyn House hosted LCC at Centennial field in Côte St. Luc. The game featured a strong offensive attack as Matthew Singerman and Andrea Storelli hit homeruns ending in a 15-6 victory.

On May 8, the Gryphons travelled to Lennoxville to play the ever- powerful Alexander Galt High School Pipers. Neither continuity nor momentum were on our side. The players tried their best, but nothing bounced our way. The final score was 15-7 for Alexander Galt. Highlights of the game saw Andrea Storelli and Vinay Mandy hitting homeruns. Emlyn McCutcheon pitched two strong innings in relief.

Game 4 was played at Centennial field as we hosted Plattsburg on their return to Montreal. Plattsburg started very quickly with 3 runs in the first inning and never looked back as they rolled to a 9-4 victory.

Selwyn's future impact player, right fielder, Gabe Taraboulsy, chipped in offensively with 2 RBI's and Matthew Singerman had two hits.

Selwyn House will complete their season with a game vs. MacDonald-Cartier of St. Hubert, a double header against Alexander Galt, and the final game against the LCC Lions.

The students have dedicated a lot of time and energy to prepare for our schedule and have played hard during our short seasonal play. The important aspect is that the students have developed their skills, played together, and had fun!

photo by: Tom Königsthal

Andrea Storelli, 11C, at bat, Vinay Mandy, 11B, behind the plate, and coach Paoletti as acting ump.

Rugby Closes with Victories in all 3 Divisions

By Peter Govan

Selwyn House recently travelled to Bishop's College school for the annual GMAA 7s Aside Tournament. The Bantam team led by captain Andrew Johnson won their third and final game at the end of regulation time as Tristan Schultz dove from two meters away to tie the game. Theodore Kyres then converted the kick to win the match.

At the Midget level, the Championship game was between Selwyn House and LCC. Hard running from James Brooks, strategic kicking from Roberto Bellini and strong tackling and pressure from the team members led Selwyn to a decisive victory.

The Seniors had a tougher road to the final having to go into overtime to beat Stanstead. The final between the favoured LCC squad started well as Selwyn applied early pressure and scored to lead 5-0. LCC then scored at the end of the half and converted to lead 7 to 5. A great kick from Eugenio Burnier and an additional try from Joseph Ayas completed the scoring as Selwyn dominated the second half of play.

Congratulations to all the teams and coaches for outstanding performances. This is the first time a school has been able to sweep the awards at this Tournament.

S P O R T S

Track and Field Shines Bright

By Maria Tratt

photo by: Monty Krindle

On your mark, get set, and... Go!

The school could not have hoped for better weather at this year's Track and Field Meet.

Early in the morning on Friday, May 17, the sun broke through, bathing the track behind Westmount High School in some of the warmest light Montrealers had experienced this spring.

Grades 3, 4, 5, and 6 participated in a series of relays and other track events and ribbons and medals abounded. Lucas House came out on top with a total of 247 points, followed by Macaulay at 172, Speirs at 159, and Wanstall brought up the rear with 88.

Kindergarten and Grades 1 and 2 joined in the fun with their own novelty events including ball kicks, the three-legged and potato sack races, and a toilet paper wrap.

Many thanks to all the faculty who lent a hand in the preparations and supervision, the students who gave their time, and the parents who cheered the boys on.

Selwyn Receives Honourable Mention at the GMAA Awards

By Maria Tratt

On the evening of Tuesday, May 14, the SHS Athletic Department took 11 of its Senior athletes to the annual GMAA Banquet.

The school was one of 12 that made it on to the Association's short list for runners-up to the coveted Sportsmanship Award. SHS was honoured for displaying high standards of fair play, respect and courtesy, and good sportsmanship, and was recognized for its participation in 15 GMAA sports. Mr. William Mitchell, Headmaster, was presented with a plaque by Mrs. Joanne MacDonald, Executive Director of the GMAA.

The following students also received awards; Eugenio Burnier, 11B, Marc McCans, 11C, Tri-Vinh Van, 11B, Adrian Schauer, 11C, Noah Bloom, 11C, Thomas Sontag, 10A, Josef Sep, 11A, Jamie Seguin, 11A, and Yan Besner, 11A.

Scott Bailey, 11B, was SHS's choice as the school's most sportsmanlike player.

Congratulations to everyone.

Celebrating this Year's Best

By Maria Tratt

On May 23, Selwyn House School hosted its annual Athletic Awards Banquet.

A special salute was given to Jack Martin, SHS faculty member retiring this summer after 33 years. Mr. Martin was honoured for 15 years of enthusiasm and dedication to the school's Athletic Department. More specifically, he was thanked for the role he played in transforming the curling team into what it is today: one that is consistently well prepared and competitive.

Highlights included the induction of the following students into the Sportsman's Guild. Re-elected were Chris Fordyce, 11A, and Adrian Schauer, 11C. New in Grade 10 are Roberto Bellini, 10B, James Brooks, 10B, and Peter Menzel, 10C. And new in Grade 11 are Joseph Ayas, 11C, Scott Bailey, 11B, Eugenio Burnier, 11B, Graham Colby, 11C, Eric Pedicelli, 11C, Jamie Seguin, 11A, and Tri-Vinh Van, 11B. All boys were awarded the coveted sportsman's tie.

Finally, the award that all Grade 11's aspire to, the McMaster Trophy Award honouring the Senior School athlete of the year, was bestowed jointly on Eugenio Burnier and Adrian Schauer.

Many thanks to all who helped make the event a huge success, especially Marc Krushelnyski, Normand Brault, and the Grade 7 students who served the many guests.

Congratulations to all the winners, the coaches, and to Steve Mitchell, Athletic Director. A great night to celebrate a great year.

photo by: Monty Krindle

Captains of the Juvenile Rugby team, Jamie Seguin and Eugenio Burnier, present Mr. Wm. Mitchell with the GMAA Rugby 7's Champions banner as team coach, Peter Govan, looks on.

BULLETIN BOARD

photo by: Tom Königsthal

SHS Senior team in a scrum.

SHS Rugby Tour

Selwyn House School is planning a two-week overseas Rugby Tour for March Break 1997.

Approximately 32 students, a Senior team (under 18) and a Midget team (under 16) will visit Wales, England, and France. They will be accompanied by coaches Mike Maurovich, Alfie Paoletti, Peter Govan, David Cude, and Director of the Senior School, Rob Wearing.

For more information, please contact Peter Govan at 931-9481.

The Parents' Newsletter

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The Argyle Shop

Two Days Only!
August Uniform Sale

As school is starting on September 3, right after Labour Day, this year the August Sale will be held: Tuesday and Wednesday, August 28 and 29
12:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
in the Lucas gym

Regular Shop Hours:

MONDAY	7:45 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.
TUESDAY	7:45 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.
WEDNESDAY	- CLOSED -
THURSDAY	1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
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Where Do all the Boys Go?

By Barry Williams

Once again, Selwyn House students have applied to a wide variety of schools in Canada, the U.S., and abroad.

Applications were sent to 17 U.S. prep schools, 3 boarding schools, 1 Ontario University, Lower Canada College, and a school in Argentina, as well as French and English CEGEPs here in Montreal.

The CEGEP of choice continues to be Marianopolis. All 30 of the 52 grads who applied were accepted; 19 will attend. Although 66% of the CEGEP students chose science programmes as opposed to non-science, 9 boys opted for the honours Liberal Arts Programme.

SHS grads continue to uphold a tradition of academic excellence at Marianopolis. This past fall 42 per cent of all Selwyn Old Boys enrolled made the Dean's List with averages of 85% or higher.

SHS Grad Heads for the House of Commons

Lawrence Moquette, 11C, is the first SHS student in 14 years to be accepted into the House of Commons Page Programme. The programme, which will enable Lawrence to see his parliament in action between 2:00 P.M. and 5:00 P.M., employs first-year university students to provide a messenger service to Members in the Chamber while the House is in session. Lawrence will be studying at Carleton University.